

## CASHIER ROBBED.

One of Uncle Samuel's, and in the Postoffice.

## CHICAGO WANTS THAT BANDIT BELT

Didst Piece of Thugery on Record—The Official Sanhedrin and Looting in His Room in the Postoffice with Dozens of People in the Lobbies and Streets—About \$4,000 Taken and Not the Least Clue to the Thief.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A. J. Robinson, cashier of the wholesale stamp department in the postoffice, was assaulted and robbed while in the office. The amount secured is about \$5,000. Mr. Robinson was alone in his office when the robber entered by means of a secret rap on the door, and, after knocking him senseless, fled with the precious cash. It was about 6:30 o'clock when the rap at the door came. It was the secret rap, known only to such employees as were entitled to the privilege of entering the place, and the cashier had no hesitancy in opening the door. He was preparing to close up his accounts for the night and had counted his cash. The money was lying on his desk. As he opened the door he saw a well-dressed man of middle age and good address.

"I beg your pardon, sir," the stranger said, "but you are the cashier in the stamp department?"

"I am," replied Mr. Robinson.

"You are the man that I want to see," replied the cashier. "Do your accounts balance for the night?"

Mr. Robinson was slightly surprised at the question, but at the plausible explanation which followed all doubts were removed. He told the man that his accounts did not balance, and that although he had gone over them two or three times they were out of the way.

Explained to the Cashier.

"Well, I think I can explain the difficulty," interrupted the stranger. "My son purchased some stamps from the wholesale department this afternoon and when he reached my office I discovered that a mistake had been made. The package contained more stamps than had been paid for, and as I am a business man and know how easy it is to have accounts fail to balance and what great annoyance it is to the cashier, I decided to return the stamps. You will find them here in this package, with a note from my son making a statement of the facts in the case."

Mr. Robinson was then handed a little box, and, thinking it was stamps which the man wished to return, went a few steps away to the electric light and began to unroll it. As he lowered his head he was struck, and this was the last he remembered for over three hours. His assistant then went behind the wire door and secured a large amount of money. He then escaped through the window on Adams street, but in doing so dropped three packages, containing over \$400. What he got away with has not been ascertained.

## Left Much Money Behind.

Several thousand dollars in gold was left untouched in the safe, and the door was open. Mr. Robinson lay unconscious until 6 o'clock, when the night relief stamp seller, Mr. Zimmer, came on duty. He has to go through the cashier's room to reach his window, and attempting to put his key in the door found that it could not be opened. He then called to Mrs. M. E. Jones, who was going to relieve, and she came into the cashier's room to unlock the door. She found Robinson lying on the floor suffering from a severe wound on the head, evidently made with a sandbag, as the skin was not broken. She was almost prostrated by the sight. Robinson was taken to the Presbyterian hospital in the ambulance, and Officers Griffin and Smith from the Central station were put to work on the case. All they have to work on is a vague description given by the assaulted cashier. He said the robber was about 5 ft. 7 in. tall, heavy and wearing a black mustache. Thomas J. Porter of the United States secret service was in his office upstairs. He was called down, and Colonel Sexton notified.

## TRAIN ROBBERS CAUGHT.

One of the Men Confesses and Implicates All Four.

ATKIN, Tex., Dec. 14.—The four robbers who held up the international train at Duval have been captured in this city. The first to be caught were Dick Wallace and Linn Denton, on whom the officers found money and jewelry, the latter being identified. Denton and Wallace with "Broncho Bill" Brunson had been "painting" the first ward, but Brunson exuded the officers until dark, when City Police men Montgomery and Platt. Deputy Sheriff Thorpe traced him to a fisherman's tent, three miles below the city. Platt poked his head in the opening of the tent and demanded surrender. Brunson replied promptly with a gun. Firing became lively, but Broncho Bill was the only one hit. His wound was mortal. A telegram received from Goldsmith announces the arrest of Lewis Sheldon, the fourth and last man implicated in Sunday night's robbery. Brunson's confession makes a clean case against all four.

## Of Interest to Secret Societies.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 14.—The appellate court has filed an opinion of interest to every member of a secret society. In the case of Samuel A. Langstaff vs. the trustees of Olive Branch Lodge No. 15, I. O. F., to enforce payment of sick benefits, brought in the circuit court of Clinton, the court decides that the lower court erred in ruling that Langstaff might seek the aid of the courts of law before exhausting the remedies provided by the regulations of his order for the adjustment of his demands, and reversed the decision of the lower court and remanded the case.

## Why Richards Disappeared.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A. A. Richards, an insurance agent, disappeared from this city some six weeks ago. The general agent of the Sun Insurance company of San Francisco arrived in the city and reported that Richards was short \$10,000 in his accounts with the company. Richards came from Lima, O., ten years ago. He is grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of the state.

## Want Regulations and License.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 14.—The elections throughout the state for the municipal officers and on the home question resulted generally in Republican victories and in the adoption of the home question.

## THE MOLTOR MURDER.

Repke Says the Men Now in Prison Are Innocent of the Crime.

## READY FOR RESISTANCE.

The Provisional Government Has 1,000 Men Under Arms.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The following dispatch was received by the navy department:

"HONOLULU, Dec. 4, 1893.—Provisional government has 1,000 men under arms. Palace prepared for defense. ILLUIN."

There is not much attempt on the part of the officials in the navy department to conceal the satisfaction they feel at the turn events have taken in Hawaii. The contumacious attitude of the provisional government towards the United States authority fails to awaken any great amount of indignation or condemnation in naval circles. The navy has been rather of sympathy with the administration policy and the dissatisfaction has increased with the last news received. No information can be received from the Waite House or from the state department as to the probable time of sending to the senate the Hawaiian papers called for.

## Illinois Benefited by Fair.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The Illinois Central Railroad company has filed with the governor of the state of Illinois the statement of gross receipts for the six months ending Oct. 31, 1893, amounting to \$6,431,699. This revenue is derived from traffic over the original lines of the Illinois Central Railroad within the state of Illinois. The 7 per cent. payable to the state is \$450,170. The amount paid for the previous six months is \$522,893, making a total for the year 1893 of \$2,338,067. This is the largest annual payment ever yet made by the Illinois Central Railroad company; it is more than double the amount paid in the year 1892, when it was \$1,159,394. This statement shows clearly that the state of Illinois has profited directly and largely by the increase of the 7 per cent. paid it by the Illinois Central Railroad, owing to the fair having been held in Chicago.

## Another Opinion by Moloney.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 14.—Attorney General Moloney has rendered an opinion that the by-law requiring subscribers to building and loan associations to give sixty days' notice of intention to withdraw is illegal, as the statute requires but thirty days notice and that the secretary of the association may buy the shareholder's stock and certificate at a discount of 10 per cent. without withdrawal of his official position providing the purchase is "straight."

## Two Letters Missing.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Democratic member of the house committee on foreign affairs states that he has been informed at the state department that two letters written by Secretary Blaine to Minister Stevens are missing, and that this is delaying the Hawaiian correspondence being sent to the senate. It is said the department wants these letters, as it is believed that in them Minister Stevens was instructed to foster the annexation sentiment.

## Fatal Explosion in a Sawmill.

BENTON, Ill., Dec. 14.—A sawmill situated three miles east of this place blew up, instantly killing the proprietor, Wilson Weatherbee, a graduate of McKendree college and a prominent Republican. Grant Warrington was attending near Weatherbee at the time of the explosion and was hurled fifty feet into the river, landing unharmed.

## Had To Be Held Up.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 14.—John Armstrong, colored, was hanged at Athens, McMinn county, for the murder of French Sharp, colored, in April last. Armstrong had been shot, and being unable to stand on the gallows, he had to be held up while the noose was adjusted. He made a full confession of his guilt and expressed his readiness to die.

## Double Tragedy in Tennessee.

CLARKSVILLE, Dec. 14.—A shocking domestic tragedy resulting in a murder and a suicide is reported from Dover, a town thirty miles from here in Stewart county. Joseph Sims, a bricklayer, killed his wife and then blew out his own brains. His inability to effect a reconciliation with his wife is the supposed cause.

## Alton, Ill., Was Named for Him.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.—Colonel Alton R. Easton, one of the most prominent citizens of St. Louis in early days, is dead, aged 86 years. He it was after whom Alton, Ill., was named. He was a close friend of General Grant during all his life. Of late he had been living quietly at his old home on Easton avenue, this city, where he died.

## Eight Thousand, Destitute.

DETROIT, Dec. 14.—The relief committee on the wants of the upper peninsula miners reports that \$100,000 is needed to keep them through the winter. There are 8,000 persons destitute.

## Death of the Most Valuable Colt.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 14.—The most valuable weanling colt in the world was found dead in the pasture at Brantville, Major L. G. T. Housh's farm. The youngster was the full brother to Domino.

## ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

The Grand Army executive committee, after looking over the ground, has determined to hold the next annual encampment at Pittsburgh, beginning Sept. 10, 1894. The Dublin authorities have received information from secret sources that an attempt would probably be made to blow up some of the public buildings. The guards about the building were doubled and extraordinary vigilance was everywhere displayed.

Nathan Matthews, Jr., Democrat, was re-elected mayor of Boston by a plurality of 5,125. The vote was: Matthews, 29,569; Hart, 21,432.

Mrs. Blanche Culbertson French, of New Albany, Ind., paid her attorneys \$35,000 for services in her suit against her father's will, by which she got \$600,000.

Mrs. Priscilla Spooner celebrated her 100th birthday at Kent, O. She was born in Maine and attended George Washington's funeral when six years old.

The total value of Iowa crops in 1893, exclusive of the products of orchards, gardens and vineyards, was \$161,667,632.

J. W. Davidson, deputy clerk of court at Findlay, O., dropped dead while in the act of sweating a witness.

Outram, who was Gladstone's valet and trusted factotum for twenty years, committed suicide in the Thames at London.

A gun powder explosion took place at Whitman Abbey, England, by which one person was killed and nine fatally injured.

Dispatches from Queenstown, Ireland, say that several vessels arriving there report terrible weather.

A dispatch from Calcutta says that before the opium commission, at Hongkong, Dr. Cushing, an American Baptist missionary, spoke strongly concerning the evils of opium, asserting that the poor Chinese thrived in order to obtain opium.

The French vintage is estimated at 49,800,000 hectoliters, being 20,700,000 above last year and 29,900,000 above the average of ten years.

A merchant of Nagoya, China, has just married his twenty-seventh wife. He says he has made a vow to marry thirty wives before he dies.

W. H. Morrison, superintendent of Farm Institutes of the Wisconsin state university board of regents, is dead, at the age of 56 years. Two weeks ago he fell upon a sidewalk and fractured one of the bones of his hip.

## Prescription Lawlet in Washington.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 14.—The jury in the damage suit for \$10,000 of R. Bruce against Iron Molders' union No. 180, of Tacoma, has rendered a verdict for the defendant. It is the second case of this kind just tried in this county. Bruce was formerly a member of the union, but was suspended for non-payment of a fine of \$25. He was blacklisted and could not obtain work at any foundry on the coast, after being out four years he brought suit for \$10,000 with this result. The case will probably be appealed.

## The Weather We May Expect.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The following are the weather indications for tomorrow from 8 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and Illinois—fair weather, followed this afternoon or to night by snow flurries, changing to light rain warmer snow flurries. For Michigan and Wisconsin—fair weather, followed by snow flurries this afternoon or tonight; warmer and southerly winds. For Iowa—generally fair, warmer weather; southerly winds.

## MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

## New York Financial.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Money on call easy. Offered at 10 1/4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 8 1/2 per cent. Stocking exchange dull with actual business in January at 87 1/2 for demand and 87 1/4 for sixty days; posted rates 86 1/2 to 87 1/4. Commercial bills 86 1/2 to 87 1/4.

## New York Grain and Produce.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Wheat—January, 61 1/2; March, 61 1/2; May, 61 1/2; July, 61 1/2; September, 61 1/2; December, 61 1/2. Corn—January, 35 1/2; March, 35 1/2; May, 35 1/2; July, 35 1/2; September, 35 1/2; December, 35 1/2. Oats—January, 25 1/2; March, 25 1/2; May, 25 1/2; July, 25 1/2; September, 25 1/2; December, 25 1/2. Rye—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2. Barley—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2. Potatoes—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2. Apples—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2.

## Chicago Grain and Produce.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today: Wheat—December, 61 1/2; January, 61 1/2; March, 61 1/2; May, 61 1/2; July, 61 1/2; September, 61 1/2; December, 61 1/2. Corn—January, 35 1/2; March, 35 1/2; May, 35 1/2; July, 35 1/2; September, 35 1/2; December, 35 1/2. Oats—January, 25 1/2; March, 25 1/2; May, 25 1/2; July, 25 1/2; September, 25 1/2; December, 25 1/2. Rye—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2. Barley—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2. Potatoes—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2. Apples—January, 45 1/2; March, 45 1/2; May, 45 1/2; July, 45 1/2; September, 45 1/2; December, 45 1/2.

## Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Live Stock: The prices at the Union Stock Yards today ranged as follows: Cattle—Receipts for the day, 1,000; market slow and weak; heavy neglected; light and cheap; steers, 40c to 45c; cows, 35c to 40c; calves, 30c to 35c. Hogs—Receipts for the day, 3,000; market slow and weak; heavy neglected; light and cheap; steers, 40c to 45c; cows, 35c to 40c; calves, 30c to 35c. Sheep—Receipts for the day, 1,000; market slow and weak; heavy neglected; light and cheap; steers, 40c to 45c; cows, 35c to 40c; calves, 30c to 35c.

## The Local Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Wheat—60c; Corn—35c; Oats—25c; Rye—45c; Barley—45c; Potatoes—45c; Apples—45c; Butter—25c; Eggs—25c; Lard—25c; Sugar—25c; Coffee—25c; Tea—25c; Spices—25c; Fruits—25c; Vegetables—25c; Meats—25c; Fish—25c; Poultry—25c; Game—25c; Miscellaneous—25c.

## Fruit and Vegetable.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Apples—24c to 25c per box; Potatoes—10c to 12c per box; Corn—35c to 40c per bushel; Oats—25c to 30c per bushel; Rye—45c to 50c per bushel; Barley—45c to 50c per bushel; Potatoes—45c to 50c per bushel; Apples—45c to 50c per bushel; Butter—25c to 30c per pound; Eggs—25c to 30c per dozen; Lard—25c to 30c per pound; Sugar—25c to 30c per pound; Coffee—25c to 30c per pound; Tea—25c to 30c per pound; Spices—25c to 30c per pound; Fruits—25c to 30c per pound; Vegetables—25c to 30c per pound; Meats—25c to 30c per pound; Fish—25c to 30c per pound; Poultry—25c to 30c per pound; Game—25c to 30c per pound; Miscellaneous—25c to 30c per pound.

## LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Cattle—Butchers pay for cows and calves 40c to 45c; cows and calves, 35c to 40c; calves, 30c to 35c. Hogs—Butchers pay for hogs 40c to 45c; hogs, 35c to 40c; piglets, 30c to 35c. Sheep—Butchers pay for sheep 40c to 45c; sheep, 35c to 40c; lambs, 30c to 35c.

## FUEL.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Coal—Soft, 11c to 12c per ton; Hard, 12c to 13c per ton; Wood—Oak, 14c to 15c per cord; Pine, 12c to 13c per cord.

## WOMAN AND THE LAW.

## Views of Distinguished Feminine Faculty at the University of New York.

One of the most remarkable events of the closing months of the year 1893 is the enrollment of 100 female names in the woman's law class of the University of New York. Every woman who has joined the class has a reason for doing so. There is Mrs. Mary White Martinot. She is the talented mother of Miss Sadie Martinot, the actress. Mrs. Martinot is the most renowned of all the women inventors of the world. She has realized 35 patents on her inventions, and she has begun the study of the law to protect her in her inventions. Mrs. Martinot is a very earnest woman, practical and honest in her convictions, and has a deep determination to become proficient in her studies.

Mrs. Alberti, the principal of the Delacorte School of Expression on Fifth avenue, takes up the lectures for self culture.

"I believe that every woman should thoroughly understand her position in the law," said Mrs. Alberti when asked for her opinion. "It is ridiculous to be constantly confronted with women's ignorance in the practical ways of life. An ordinary, everyday business man, or even a gentleman of leisure, forgets more in one half hour of the practical laws of life than most bright women ever know."

Perhaps one can account for this when it is realized that men have lived always in an atmosphere of knowledge getting. They have been allowed every freedom and every implement to raise them to the heights of their ambition, while until very recently women were told to cook, wash dishes, sew, sit in a glass case or keep quiet.

"Why, pray, should women not become lawyers? There is no more reason. Women are smart, energetic, truthful, loyal, clever, strong and persevering. And then, whether a woman wishes to put her sign out as barrister or not, she should study law carefully in order to catch up with the regular army of cultured men."

Imagine C. Fales of Brooklyn is perhaps the most distinguished member of the class. Mrs. Fales has for 15 years been engaged philanthropically in sociology. She is the proprietor and editor of The Sociologic News and is one of the first women editors of the two continents. She is also the leader of the People's party of Kings county and was the first woman ever sent as a delegate to a state convention.

"As to the study of law for women," said Mrs. Fales, "there can be no answer but that it is as much a necessity as with men. I believe in it and need it myself. Some knowledge of law seems to be required by every business woman. If a clever young woman has a taste for law as a profession, she should be enabled in every way to perfect herself. All over the west there are more than a thousand women lawyers. There is not a town of over 900 inhabitants that has not its 'lady lawyer,' and glories in her as well as in its 'lady doctor' and its 'lady minister,' not to say its 'lady bank cashier' and 'lady politicians.'"

"I am glad to see so many young women attend this law class with the idea of becoming practicing lawyers, for it has often occurred to me that women in the east will never get equal suffrage until they swarm and swamp the states with women lawyers, who will contest the unjust clauses of the laws which bar them from citizenship to the last degree and demand without constitution gives us freedom and equality."—New York Herald.

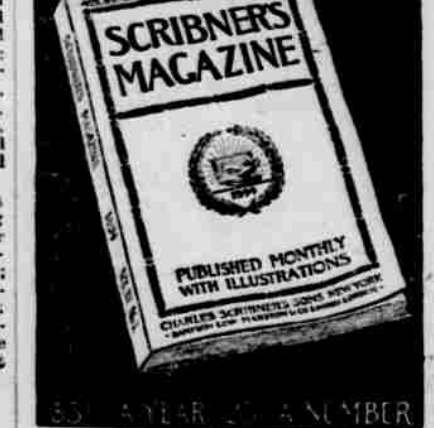
## A Precedent.

Briggs—Say, old man, I want you to introduce me to your club.

Griggs (doubtfully)—They are very particular, old fellow, whom they admit.

Briggs—But you got in.—New York Herald.

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